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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Dear Sirs:

While the language in the Statement of Reasons for Allowance is found in independent claims 21 and 33, it is not found in independent claims 1, 8, 16, 27, 41, and 47. Applicant interprets the inclusion of claims 1, 8, 16, 27, 41, and 47 in the Statement of Reasons for Allowance as a typo because these claims were previously found allowable in the 12/29/04 office action. As such, Applicant notes that the Examiner's various comments should not be used to read nonexistent limitations into the claims.

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